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TO: Each Supervisor

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Director of Mental Health

SUBJECT: **ADVANCE NOTIFICATION OF INTENT TO ENTER INTO SOLE
SOURCE CONTRACT RENEWAL WITH CALIFORNIA INSTITUTE FOR
MENTAL HEALTH (CIMH)**

This memo is to comply with the Board of Supervisors Policy Manual, Section 5.100 Sole Source Contracts. It is the Los Angeles County Department of Mental Health's (DMH) intent to enter into sole source contract renewal with the California Institute for Mental Health (CIMH), located at 2125 19th Street, 2nd Floor, Sacramento, CA 95818.

CIMH is a private non-profit agency that was established in 1993 by the California Mental Health Directors Association (CMHDA). It is the only California agency with a statewide role in supporting the public mental health system through technical assistance, research, policy development, and evidence-based practices. In addition, CIMH is the one mental health agency that has an established Center for Multicultural Development designed to improve access and services within the community mental health system for ethnically and culturally diverse communities, and a Co-Occurring Disorders Technical Assistance Center that was established to provide education and training services to agencies serving individuals with co-occurring mental health and substance abuse disorders.

CIMH's unique qualifications are recognized in legislation which has enabled them to become the California State Department of Mental Health's primary training entity in statewide projects such as implementation of Managed Care and the highly complex, Mental Health Services Act (MHSA). The formation of a sole source contract amendment with CIMH will allow DMH to continue providing comprehensive services and supports to the mental health communities of Los Angeles County, as outlined in the State of California MHSA Plan, of which the Department has received significant funding.

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The current agreement with CIMH will expire on June 30, 2010. This sole source contract renewal will be for a term of three fiscal years, 2010-11, 2011-12, and 2012-13. Upon Board approval, the contract will be funding with MHSA funds in the amount of \$1,193,000 for each identified contract year.

Unless otherwise instructed by a Board office within two weeks, DMH will proceed with negotiating a sole source contract amendment. DMH will work closely with both the Office of the County Counsel and the Chief Executive Office in preparing an amendment with CIMH.

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